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### **GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS BACON TO GOVERNOR'S STUDY COMMISSION ON HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE**

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Thomas J. Bacon** of Durham to the Governor's Study Commission on Health Care Workforce.

Bacon is the director of the N.C. Area Health Education Centers Program and the executive associate dean of the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill School of Medicine. He is treasurer of the N.C. Institute of Medicine Board of Directors, a member of the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust Health Care Advisory Board and chair of the N.C. Healthy Start Foundation Board of Directors. Bacon received his bachelor's degree in psychology from Eckerd College in Florida, his master's degree in demography from the University of Chicago and his doctorate of public health in health policy and administration from UNC-Chapel Hill.

The commission determines methods to increase the number of people providing health and dental care in North Carolina and helps to overcome existing barriers contributing to the health care provider shortage. The commission has 21 members. The governor appoints five members.

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